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ALMA

Fire Protection. A new outdoor fire escape stairway was added to the Annex on the new building end. It goes from the second floor to the ground. There was already a ladder from the second to the third floor there. Automatic fire detectors have been installed in the rooms and corridors of the Annex and Main building.

St. Thomas' Celebration. On March 6, the first-year disputation featured Mr. John Slater (Ore.) in De Revelatione and Mr. Paul Hilsdale in De Ecclesia. Next day, St. Thomas' Day, was the Theologians' Gaudiosa.

Radio Hill. On March 7, contact was made for the first time with Holy Cross Mission in Alaska. An hour-long conversation ensued. Taking part were Frs. Fallert and Danel, Messrs. Poole, B. Collins, P. Mueller (Ore.); and Mr. Astruc (France). Recently contact was made by radio and telephone with Frs. Boileau and Hargreaves in Fairbanks.

The Greater Glory. On March 12, the community saw the prize-winning film, "The Greater Glory" made by Ours in New York to raise runds for a new house of studies in that province.

Brothers' Vocations. A ten-minute skit about the life of our Coadjutor Brothers was recorded at Alma for use at Bellarmine Prep during their Vocation Week. It is available for any school which wants to use it. Written by Bro. Raymond Bounds, directed by Mr. David Fitch, the skit used the following cast: Fr. Edward Warren, announcer; Mssrs. James Poole (Ore.), John Murray (Ore.), and John Shanks, actors. Music was by Fr. Edward McShane and Mr. Dare Morgan. Mr. Geo. Twigg-Porter made the recording.

AZUSA

At Home. There were seven retreats conducted from mid-January to the end of February. The groups of retreatants are growing consistently. The retreat of January 29 presented the largest group at Manresa—37 men.

Brs. John Morgan and George Seeber arrived from Los Gatos to make their month's experiment.

The Chapel Fund is growing, thanks to the persistent efforts of Frs. Thos. Sullivan, Gerald Nagle, John Odou, and Joseph Vaughan. Many large contributions to the Fund have been made, as the retreatants eagerly anticipate the new and needed chapel. Mr. Ramon Novarro, of movie fame, has generously promised the new altar, which is to cost $3000.

Locally. Fr. Odou gave a three-day retreat to a group of men at Henderson, Nevada—the retreat is an annual affair. All of the fathers have contributed to a round of agenda; luncheon talks to the Catholic Woman's Club, a day of recollection for some hundred public high school students, gathered in the Azusa parish by the Catechetical Sisters; confessions and conferences in several convents; usual Sunday calls in Azusa and Covina parishes.

BELLARMINE

On March 3 Father General granted permission to erect a new faculty residence. Detailed plans are being rushed to completion.

Richard Bauerle, a sophomore, was awarded $50.00 for a biographical sketch in an Extension Magazine contest.

Jack Sheehy '54 won the county finals of the American Legion Oratorical Contest and will next compete in the Northern California finals. In the National Forensic Finals for Northern California held at U.S.F. He won first place in extempore and original oratory and will represent Northern California at Denver. Gary Bowman '53 took first place in oratorical interpretations and will next compete in the state finals.

Over an unusually talented group of contestants, Bob DuRard won the Freshman Elocution Contest. Messrs. Enright, Fitch, and Swain of Alma were the judges.

"Julius Caesar" has been selected as the spring play. Over 100 students will be in the cast. Bellarmine was represented by 135 boys at the Catholic High School Federation in their annual meeting in the Civic Auditorium in San Francisco. On March 20, 120 mothers of the Bellarmine Guild made a day of recollection on the campus under the direction of Father William Rice. The boarders celebrated St. Patrick's Day with an outdoor lunch and Hi-Jinks planned by Fr. McDermott.

The Varsity Basketball team finished its season with 21 victories out of 25 games played under Coach Mike Pellino. Venezia '53 was selected as player of and both he and Don McNeil '53 were placed on the All-City Team, the first time that two players have been selected from one school.

BRIGHAM CITY

The School. The Intermountain Indian School, at Brigham City, provides for 2300 little Navajos (from ages 12 to 19). It is the largest and best equipped Indian School under the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs.

At Christmas a touching Christman pageant was presented at the school—complete with the Annunciation, Birth of Our Lord, the Magi, and the Flight into Egypt. Frs. Edward Whelan and Francis Dunn, as at Thanksgiving, helped (along with the faculty of the school) in serving the Christmas dinner. (96 turkeys served!)

On Thursday afternoons, Frs. Whelan and Dunn and the four Missionary Catechist Sisters, are allowed an hour of religious instruction at the school. Twenty-eight classes contain the 950 under Catholic instruction. It is all managed in an extremely efficient manner. Eight baptisms were performed a week ago. There will be 27 more in a few weeks. The Fathers' third First Communion Class is now underway; and on April 27, Bishop Duane Hunt will confirm 80 of the Navajos—all 950 little redskins in attendance.

The Church. St. Henry's "Church" is the downstairs of the Fathers' residence! The kitchen of the house is dining room, altar boy's vesting room, Catechism classroom on Saturdays, and occasional parlor. The sacristy is 7 x 8 feet, and serves, too, as confessional. The chapel is 15 x 28 feet; (plans now afoot to add to the Church a space of 20 x 28 feet). The baptismal font is a stainless steel salad bowl!

BROPHY COLLEGE PREP

Brophy had a representative in the annual American Legion Oratorical contest sponsored by the local newspapers. Because the original boy chosen to speak could not fulfill the assignment, Father Devlin, in five days prepared a substitute; and the resluts were satisfying. Since he was the only freshman in the contest and had had such short prepration, it was very encouraging to learn that he placed fourth in the ten to twelve minute prepared speech and his final standing, which included a four to six minute extemporaneous talk, was fifth.

Two students were dropped at the end of the semester because of studies, but their places were filled by two transfers—the number is still thirty-eight.

The Sodality has now fully organized, and the weekly meetings are being run very competently by the student prefect. The committees also have their meetings each week. The Eucharistic Committee arranged for all the students to take part in the First Firday adoration. In groups of three, they knelt in the sanctuary for twenty minute periods.

The first annual Dads and Sons Communion-breakfast was held on March 29. The boys with their fathers attended eight o'-clock Mass in the church, received Holy Communion, and then had breakfast in the school cafeteria.

On Sunday afternoon, the Dads challenged their Sons to a softball game. After a hard fought game, the Sons finally won with a score of 12-11. Many of the Mothers also were present, and they helped with the refreshments at the end of the game.

Father Devlin preached the Forty Hours at St. Gregory's Rector (Francis Harrington) gave a Day of Recollection to the Catholic Daughters of America.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

General Activities. The Chapel of the Sacred Heart is nearing completion. Final sections of tile were laid on the roof, and the stone work is at an end.

The Labor School, on March 31, will close its spring semester. Certificates of Completion are to be awarded to 130 men. Since its beginning, in 1948, the Labor School has enrolled 1125 men from management alone, not to mention an even greater figure from labor.

Lt .Commander Daniel E. Whelan, former dean of the College of Science, returns to the University as Dean of the College of Engineering. Dean Whelan first joined the Faculty in 1929. Under his leadership, the first two years of engineering were started at Loyola. Fr. Clyde Werts has been acting dean of the College since the beginning of World War II.

The former "Arts Building" has been named St. Robert's Hall, in honor of our St. Robert Bellarmine.

Individuals. Br. Eugene Miller joined the Community on the Feast of St. Joseph.

Under the direction of Br. John Pereira, sections of the campus are eing graded, seeded, and landscaped.

Father President (Charles Casassa) recently attended a dinner sponsored by the Friendly sons of St. Patrick, in downtown LA. Fr. Robert Gannon, former President of Fordham University was the principal speaker of the evening. On the following day, Fr. Gannon visited the University.

Fr. Walshe Murray gave the invocation at the Western States Dinner, honoring former governor, Adlai E. Stevenson, at the Biltmore Hotel, LA.

Fr. Wm. McIntosh addressed the Personnel and Industrial Re-

lations Assn., District Two, on "Rights of Labor and Management in Colective Bargaining." He delivered the same address later to District Six of the Assn.

Fr. George Kennard presented one of the lectures of the Newman Cultural Series, on March 18. His subject: "Foundations of Catholic Philosophy."

NOVITIATE

First Vows. On March 2, Bro. Theodore Morelli pronounced the simple vows of a Jesuit scholastic.

Juniorate. Fr. Terrence O'Connor of Alma College delivered two lectures on ancient and medieval art. On March 15, the Juniors attended "The Greater Glory," a movie produced by the New York Province. The movie, dealing with the training of the Society, is being shown throughout the United States in order to elicit contributions for the new Philosophate of the New York Province.

Triduum. The lenten triduum for the Novices ended on the morning of February 22. On February 26 Bro. John J. Angell was admitted as a scholastic novice.

Winery. Fr. Thomas McKey returned on March 19 after an extensive sales trip in the southwest section of the United States. Fr. Ransford attended a convention in Los Angeles.

Coadjutors. Last month the Brother's recreation room on the fourth floor of the Novitiate was completed. It is much larger than the former room. Bro. Eugene Miller has been assigned to Loyola University.

Visitation. A holiday in honor of Very Rev. Fr. Provincial (I. O'Brien) was had on March 4. Fr. ended the visitation of the house on March 7.

Varia. Fr. Socius (Keenan) gave the annual graduation retreat to the seniors of Bellarmine College Preparatory. On March 20, Fr. William E. Donnelly of Alma College gave the monthly "casus" to the Fathers at the Novitiate. During the last month, Frs. Menager, Cosgrave, and Boland visited the house.

MOUNT ST. MICHAELS

Fr. Duce spent the last two weeks of February here making his visitation of the California Philosophers. While here he gave two very enlightening talks, one to the newly formed Latin Academy on the situation of Latin in our High Schools; the other was a brief summary of news from the Province to all the Philosophers.

On Feb. 2, Feast of the Purification, the Mount celebrated the Golden Jubilee of the Last Vows of Father Louis Taelmen (Ore.) The active Indian Missionary gave a most inspiring talk at the banquet in his honor that evening.

An academy was held on Mar. 7 to celebrate the Feast of St. Thomas Acquinas, Patron of Philosophers. Papers were read by Messrs. Rigali and Perkins. Mr. Rigali's subject was "The Love of God as Found in St. Thomas Acquinas." Mr. Perkins' subject was "The Eucharistic Hymns of St. Thomas." Mr. Weber introduced the speakers.

The following week Mr. T. P. Delaney moderated a panel discussion on "The Influence of the Political Philosophy of Cicero in Modern Day Thought."

March 21: Disputation. Mr. Boyle defended in Cosmology against Messrs. Ryan (Ore.) and

Hanrahan. Mr. Araoz (Argentina) defended in Psychology against Messrs. Gonzales and Stohrer (Mo.) Mr. Draper read a paper on "Karl Jaspers and Existentialism." The scientific lectures were given by Messrs. Sasso and Peinado.

On St. Patrick's Day, the play, "In Dublin Town," was presented. It was directed by Messrs. Torrens, Sasso, and Piser.

The Society for the Deaf. The Mount's work for the deaf in Spokane has steadily grown both in members and scope during the past 10 years or so. At present, 15 are active in the group: Messrs. John Callanan, Joseph Morris, John C. Morris, Arrowsmith, Piser, Jay, Sasso, Tosoya, Frederic (N. Orl.), Stemper (Ore.), McNally (Mo.)

Because of the donation of a '35 Ford they were able this year to begin visiting about 35 people a month, while last year they could contact only about a dozen by using the bus. Then Mr. Callanan traded the '35 for a '37 station wagon which, however, needed extensive repairs. But practically all the parts and more than half the work was donated by various automobile dealers and mechanics in Spokane.

Last December Mr. Arrowsmith handled the annual Christmas party at St. Aloysius School; the Novitiate's version of the 'Drunkard' was presented in the sign-language with Mr. Musante assuming his famous role as the villain. The performance was a great success. On the program also was a bingo game for prizes—religious articles made by the scholastics under the direction of Mr. Arrowsmith—and refreshments followed. Then Santa Claus (Mr. Lien, Ore.) distributed gifts to the children and door-prizes to the adults: a Christmas crib made by Messrs. Saso and Tosaya, a Rosary made by Mr. Piser, and finally a box of candy.

On Sunday, March 8, the group held a day of recollection at Gonzaga University Chapel. It included Mass, celebrated by Father Leo Robinson, five sermons in sign-language, lunch, and "Hill Number One," the movie put out by Fr. Peyton, C.S.C. The deaf who attended were very pleased and were further attracted to the church. And though only 16 attended, the scholastics feel that great good will come from this undertaking.

His Excellency, Bishop Charles D. White, D.D. who greatly encourages the work, made a large contribution to the Society for the Deaf; and among other benefactors, the Holy Name's Society of St. Augustine's Parish helped with the day of recollection.

The work this year has consisted mostly in social visits, although a few of the deaf receive religious instructions. Nevertheless, they are beginning to ask questions and to talk among themselves, and it may not be long before there are some returns and conversions to the Church. Thus the present group is beginning to reap where those in Tertianship, Theology and Regency have sown.

SAN FRANCISCO

University. Father Mootz celebrated his golden jubilee in the Society on March 8th. He was celebrant at a Solem Mass, assisted by Frs. Simpson and Coleman. Members of other communities of the province were guests at a dinner in the evening.

Several hundred Northern California high school science teachers met on the campus and examined the science department of the University. They were very highly impressed with the science department's set-up and amount of equipment, libraries and general facilities. Dr. Luiz Alvarez, professor of physics at the University of California was

the principal speaker at the luncheon.

Fr. Zacheus Maher gave the talks for the Novena of Grace held in the church. Two talks were given dailyand great numbers attended both afternoon and evening services,

The Faculty Residence Fund is advancing slowly but surely towards a hoped-for goal.

The University Alumni held the annual Communion-Breakfast on March 22nd. Again this year, Communion - Breakfasts were held in many cities in the United States with a few in Korea, Japan, Alaska, Honolulu and the Philippines. Members of the U.S.F. community assisted by attending as breakfast speakers and celebrants of the Masses in the California area. A transcription of Fr. President's (William Dunne) talk was broadcast over a local station to be picked up by as many breakfast groups as possible.

Over 500 seniors from the Bay Area high schools toured the U.S.F. campus at the third annual High School Senior Day. Tours of the campus, special demonstrations by the various departments, including military equipment from the Sixth Army, luncheon and talks by various faculty members were included in the all-day program.

The program on TV put on by the Law School and the College Players has proved very interesting and popular to viewers. A case is tried by Law School students with the dramatic part interpreted by members of the College Players. The viewers are asked to be the jury and mail in their opinions. The response has been very favorable.

Frs. Leo Birney and John McCummiskey of the Jesuit Missions spoke to the students and received a very gratifying response to their appeal to aid the missions. Financial aid and subscriptions to the Jesuit Missions were generous.

On March 13 and 14 the University was host to the largest tournament of the High School Forensic League held thus far. Students from USF Law School, Lone Mountain, San Francisco State, and City College acted as judges of the various forms of forensic competition, including interpretation, oratory, extemporaneous speaking, and team debating. Arrangements for the meet were made by Mr. Hogan, faculty moderator of debating.

RECENT DEATHS

Fr. William A. Lunch, on Mar. 8, in Weston, Mass.

Bro. Francis J. Ryan, on Mar. 16, in Dearborn, Mich.

The mother of Fr. Charles McQuillan.